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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 26, 2005, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 8 of this paper.